

ington to-day, and said he was going to bed as soon as he could get there. He had nothing to say about the Senatorship contest.

William Church Osborn, Governor Dix's legal adviser, got here to-night. He is one of the Shepard boom custodians. He finds that Mr. Shepard has a solid block of forty votes, including the Brooklyn Democratic legislators, and believes he can get the remainder necessary to make him the caucus choice. The up-state Democrats who are for Shepard hope that the same course of reasoning which led to the turning down of Grady will lead to the selection of Shepard. They hope Governor Dix will be brought to take a hand in this game as he did in the Senate leadership game. They think it is pretty well understood that Mr. Shepard has the new Governor's "sympathy," but think that something more potent than sympathy will have to be employed. On the other hand, some of them fear that Mr. Dix's victory in the Grady case, which was aided by Grady's own course, will work against Shepard. They argue that if Murphy really is for Sheehan, he can say that Tammany has "pandered" enough to public opinion in turning down Grady, and intends to have Sheehan anyhow. Murphy had nothing to say on that or any other subject. He went to church this morning. After that he devoted himself closely to work. He called on Governor Dix at the Executive Mansion this afternoon, but his stay was not a long one. Cloistered with him at various times have been Sheehan, J. Sergeant Cram, Norman E. Mack, Justice Gerard and, of course, Cohan and "Tom" Smith.

#### Farewell Kick to Connors.

One of the other Democrats big enough to be consulted by the big chief is W. H. Fitzpatrick, of Buffalo, who has succeeded William James Connors as the real boss of Erie County. Fitzpatrick gave a kind of farewell kick to Connors to-night. State Treasurer Kennedy announced the appointment of George W. Batten, of Niagara County, as Deputy State Treasurer, a job he held under State Treasurer Hauser, Kennedy is a Fitzpatrick man.

Organization of the Legislature has been discussed by many of the bigger Democrats to-day. The making of committee slates is already undertaken, but won't show much progress for a time. The main items are settled through Wagner for temporary President of the Senate, and Daniel D. Driscoll, of Schoharie County, for Speaker of the Assembly. Alfred E. Smith, of New York, who hails from "Tom" Foley's district, is slated for chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the lower house, which carries the floor leadership with it. He is an able Tammany man who has taken a prominent part in the discussion of all New York City legislation.

"Big Ed" Merritt, last year's majority leader, undoubtedly will be chosen by the Republican Assemblyman as minority leader, though there is some talk that Jesse Phillips, of Allegany county, may make a contest for the place. In the Senate the Republicans aren't at all sure who will be their choice. Senator Cobb, the leader last session after Alda got out, said to-night that he wouldn't stand in the way of anybody else who was anxious to have the place. Some people are booming Edgar Truman Brackett, of Saratoga, although some of the insurgents of the last session figure Brackett's past political performances have not been of the precise character to fit him for the leadership now. There is talk, also, of Harvey D. Hinman, of Binghamton, and Joseph T. Newcomb, of New York.

Much gossip is afloat about "Democratic legislation." It seems to be the general opinion of the rank and file that whatever "party legislation" is to be put through should be put through immediately or approximately at present, for many fear the Republicans will "come back" to the extent of carrying the Assembly next year. There is much talk of putting the work of the Water Supply Commission under the Forest and Game Department. Also there is a notion abroad that the two Public Service Commissions may be consolidated. If that doesn't work out, they figure that the New York City Commission at least will be shaken up, its numbers possibly reduced, and the appointment of its members given to the Mayor of the city. Nobody professes to have any accurate information whether Governor Dix will take up these matters in his message. A good many of his friends say they think they will be advanced first, if they become "party policy" in the form of legislation.

The first announcement of Governor Dix in his new office was that he had redesignated Supreme Court Justices Frank H. Hiscock, of Syracuse, and Emory A. Chase, of Catskill, to serve on the Court of Appeals bench, pursuant to Section 7, Article VI of the Constitution. Justices Hiscock and Chase are Republicans and were re-elected without opposition at the last election.

Friends of State Comptroller P. E. McCabe, of Albany, declared that he will accept the appointment of Senate clerk. It was stated to-night that John Bove, a prominent Albany Democrat, had been selected for Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Edward Lasansky, Secretary of State, arrived to-day, but said he would not announce his appointments until to-morrow.

## THREATENED THE JUDGE

Six Men Indicted in Election Cases in Ohio for Intimidation.

### RUSH TO PLEAD GUILTY

Among Those Ready to Confess Bribe Taking, It Is Said, Are Women and Clergymen.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

West Union, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Six men from Manchester, Ohio, were brought here this afternoon by deputy sheriffs and are locked up in the Adams County jail until the court can hear them to-morrow morning. They are all among those who have been indicted. It is said that they threatened the judge and the grand jury in the election cases, and that for this reason they were arrested and brought here.

Judge Blair says the work of getting the juries for these and other cases will be very difficult. Two hundred men from different parts of the county are here to-night ready to plead guilty.

The men who were brought here from Manchester were arrested early this morning. Deputy Sheriff Connolly says that it has been known by the court for more than a week that these men were going about and threatening not only Judge Blair, but the jurymen as well.

#### Warrants by Mail.

They had been served with warrants which were sent to them through the mails. That was over one week ago, but nothing was seen of the men at court, so Judge Blair ordered that they be surprised by the sheriff and arrested. This was done, and they will be given the same sort of treatment to-morrow morning as were the men arrested Friday night.

It became known this afternoon that more than three hundred men from this county have slipped away and gone to Kentucky between two days for fear the court might indict them. They are farmers, who live in the northeastern part of Adams County, just across the river from Kentucky. Many of them have been indicted. Judge Blair said this afternoon that he doesn't exactly know what will be done in their cases, but that they probably will be brought to trial and heavily fined for absconding.

#### Women Plead Guilty.

Four women and three clergymen are among those who will face the court to-morrow morning. All of the women admit they are guilty of taking money for the votes of either their husbands or children, that they have been working for the last week among their neighbors to get the money to pay their fines, and that they will plead guilty to-morrow morning.

The three ministers are men from the out-of-town townships in the county. If they plead guilty, the number of preachers who have done so will be brought up to five. Yesterday Judge Blair had two men before him who have preached in Adams County for the last three years.

### O'MALLEY TELLS OF WORK

Number of Accomplishments During Year.

Albany, Jan. 1.—In his annual report for the year 1910, now ready for the Legislature when it convenes, Attorney General O'Malley recounts a number of accomplishments during the year and makes certain recommendations as to amendments of the law which will increase the efficiency of his department.

Among the important achievements of the year, the Attorney General points out, were decisions in the Court of Appeals sustaining the constitutionality of the semi-monthly pay law for railroad employees and the validity of the eight-hour law for railroad telegraphers, and the collection of all the arrears in special franchise taxes, amounting to more than \$100,000.

The specific recommendations made by the Attorney General are:

First.—The power to equalize special franchise assessments should be given to the State Board of Tax Commissioners, thus rendering it unnecessary to apply to the courts, since the courts have decided that special franchise assessments must be apportioned at a rate that local real property is assessed.

Second.—An amendment should be made to the tax law providing that the occupation of a highway by a public service corporation shall be prima facie evidence of the existence of the special franchise.

### NEW YEAR'S COURT RECORD

West Side Cases Number 95 and Few Up for Intoxication.

When Magistrate Krotel opened the session of the West Side court yesterday morning there were in the pen and corridor ninety-five prisoners. At adjournment the city treasury had been enriched by \$19 in fines, mostly for violations of the city ordinances. There were only nine cases of intoxication and ten cases of disorderly conduct as the result of the beginning of the new year in the district. Magistrate Krotel allowed the celebrants, with one exception, to go with a reprimand. One man was fined \$3 for celebrating too loudly.

Twenty-six chauffeurs answered to summonses for violating the law in reference to smoking automobiles. Two who argued the matter were fined \$50 each, two had their cases put over to Friday, and the others were fined from \$2 to \$5 each. Other chauffeurs were arrested for neglecting to have a light on their taximeters and for violating the rules of the road were fined or lectured and discharged.

### EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA INDISPOSED.

Vienna, Jan. 1.—Emperor Francis Joseph, on account of a slight indisposition, took no part in the New Year festivities and receptions to-day.

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### BEING MADE FOR U. S. ARMY

Its Manufacture at Springfield Guarded with Secrecy—Will Revolutionize War.

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Springfield, Mass., Jan. 1.—A new gun, whose use in the United States army, it is said, may mean the revolutionizing of even the most modern methods of war on land, and which for lightness, power and general effectiveness is said to be the most terribly destructive weapon ever invented, is now being secretly manufactured in the Springfield Armory for Uncle Sam's use.

This gun, weighing less than twenty pounds and manipulated after the fashion of an ordinary fowling piece, pours out a stream of bullets when in action at the rate of four hundred shots a minute.

The new firearm is called the Benet-Merder, and is a French invention. It has a stock that is placed against the shoulder, and in action the soldier lies on the ground, resting the gun on two supports.

This gives it an advantage in safety over the Hiram Maxim rapid firing model, since the operator of that gun is compelled to stand in feeding it. This brings him into sight of the enemy, rather, it brings all three men in sight. Three men are required for the manipulation of the heavier weapon.

Once a row of men is brought up on the firing line with the new guns they will drop down after the manner of sharpshooters. It is the work of a second to raise the guns on the low supports. Another second and everything is in readiness for action. At the word of command the bullets will trigger send hundreds of bullets hurtling into the ranks of the enemy.

The original French model weighed about twenty pounds, but the new gun as turned out by the United States government experts will weigh less. Its effectiveness, however, it is claimed, will in no wise be impaired. It is said to be certain that the army in time will be equipped with these new arms, since a detachment of infantry provided with them would be almost irresistible to a body of men fighting with such guns as are now used in the army.

Army officials are more interested in the new Springfield gun than in any hitherto built. The Maxim gun, weighing three hundred pounds, when loaded on the battlefield, received its charge from a gunner who perched himself on top of the piece in full sight of the enemy. The new gun is loaded and operated by one man lying flat on the ground.

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## ZERO WEATHER IN WEST

Real Blizzard Sweeps Missouri and Kansas—Trains Delayed.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 1.—The first real blizzard of the year over Western Missouri and Kansas is sweeping these states to-night, and promises to send the mercury far below zero. To-night throughout Western Missouri and nearly all of Kansas the mercury is near the zero mark.

From noon to-day until to-night the thermometer fell 46 degrees to 2 degrees above zero in Kansas City. At Salina, Kan., the thermometer registered 5 degrees below zero at sunset. Laramie, Wyo., reports 17 degrees below zero.

Omaha, Jan. 1.—A heavy snow, driven into drifts by a strong wind, ushered in the new year in Eastern Nebraska and Western Iowa.

The storm began this morning and grew more severe to-night. With the approach of night the temperature began to drop and at 7 p.m. the thermometer registered 5 degrees below zero, with prospects for lower temperature.

Railway and streetcar traffic is much delayed, one overland railroad line reporting all passenger trains behind time. Only perishable freight and stock trains were moved to-day.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 1.—The first blizzard of the winter is sweeping over South Dakota to-night, piling the snow in high drifts and delaying railway traffic.

Six trains are reported stalled on the Illinois Central between here and Fort Dodge. Several trains to South Dakota points have been abandoned and those arriving are from six to eight hours late.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 1.—North Texas is shivering to-night under a cold wave. Amarillo, in the Panhandle, reports half an inch of snow and high winds, with a temperature of 12 degrees above zero.

### SAYS YOUTH LACKS IDEALS

Dr. Wise Sees Danger in Haste After Wealth and Luxury.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise addressed the members of the Free Synagogue at Carnegie Hall yesterday morning on "The Dilemma and Dangers of Youth." The indulgence and extravagance of New Yorkers toward money and life was decried, and the young people of these times were urged to enter politics for the service that is in it. Dr. Wise added that the corruption in local political conditions is due to the fact that so many young men ask regarding public life: "What is there in it for me?"

Dr. Wise said he was going to direct his remarks to the young who spend their lives in luxury.

"In the pursuit of all this luxurious living haven't we lost some of the dignity of life?" asked Dr. Wise. "Life, when untainted by some inner springs of an ideal, is ignoble. We need visions. We need ideals in our lives. This applies particularly to the men because so few consider anything besides making money. It should be: 'What am I going to be, not what am I going to have.'"

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## ESTRADA IS RECOGNIZED

President Taft Takes Action After Hearing of Election.

### SENDS CONGRATULATIONS

Castro, Nicaraguan Minister, Probably Will Be Received This Week.

(From The Tribune Bureau.)

Washington, Jan. 1.—Official diplomatic relations with the government of Nicaragua were resumed to-day by the United States for the first time since December 1, 1909, when the Secretary of State handed his now famous note to Felipe Rodriguez, chargé d'affaires of Nicaragua, the last representative of President Zelaya in Washington, immediately after the execution of the two Americans, Groce and Cannon. This resumption of friendly relations was in the form of a message of congratulation and New Year's greetings from President Taft to President Estrada, who has just been elected by the Nicaraguan Assembly. The message, which carries with it the recognition of the present government in Nicaragua, is as follows:

His Excellency, General Juan J. Estrada, President of the Republic of Nicaragua, Managua.

I send your excellency my most cordial felicitations for the New Year, with which I hope will begin an era of progress, peace and prosperity for the people of Nicaragua. I congratulate you upon your assumption of the Presidency of a popular mandate unanimously expressed through the Assembly recently elected, and I assure you, and through you the government and people of Nicaragua, of the sincere sympathy and friendship of the government and people of the United States in the work of regeneration which we hope will be so successful. I add my wishes for your own personal welfare.

Mr. Knox in his note to Chargé d'Affaires Rodriguez stated that the United States would not recognize any President until he had been constitutionally elected. This condition was fulfilled by the action of the Assembly of Nicaragua more than a year after the note was written.

Dr. Salvador Castro, who has been appointed Nicaraguan Minister to Washington, probably will be received by Secretary of State Knox this week for formal presentation of his letter of credence.

Confirmation of dispatches from Managua last night announcing Estrada's election reached the State Department during the day in a cable message from Thomas F. Moffatt, the American Consul. Mr. Moffatt reported that the enthusiasm following the announcement of Estrada's election was every great and that President Estrada's message was a strong and patriotic document. The President's telegram to Estrada carries with it his recognition by the government of the United States.

### ESTRADA'S INAUGURATION

American Consul Did Not Attend—Amnesty for Exiles.

Managua, Nicaragua, Jan. 1.—President Estrada to-day issued a decree granting general amnesty to all political exiles.

On the election of General Estrada to the Presidency yesterday the members of Congress rose to their feet and shouted "Long live Estrada!" In his inaugural address President Estrada promised that the laws would be administered for the good of all and in accordance with the proper guarantees. It is probable that in some respects the constitution will be amended to comply with the demand for reforms and that new laws will be promulgated.

Adam Cardenas was elected president of the Congress and Salvador Cardenas vice-president. The consular representatives, with the exception of the American, were present at the inauguration.

### CONSERVATION LAWS LIKELY

President Confers with Leading Congressmen at White House.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Taft learned to-night what legislation may be expected of Congress at its present session on the conservation of natural resources. Secretary Ballinger, Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota, chairman of the Senate Committee on Public Lands; Senators Smoot, of Utah, and Flint, of California, also of that committee; Representative Frank W. Mondell, of Wyoming, chairman of the House Committee on Public Lands; and Representative Herbert Parsons, of New York, a member of the committee, conferred with President Taft until a late hour on phases of conservation relating particularly to the coal lands in Alaska, the oil situation in California and the subject of appeals from the decisions of the Department of the Interior.

### MRS. EDDY'S DEATH IGNORED

Hundreds Testify to Healing at Professor Hering's Lecture.

Nearly a thousand men, women and children, well cravened, wearing overshoes and carrying umbrellas, hurried out of the rain into Carnegie Hall last night to hear a lecture on Christian Science given by Professor Hermann S. Hering, C. S. B., of Concord, N. H., one of the board of lecturers of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston. Professor Hering, early in his lecture, declared that matter was not substance, therefore didn't really exist only to the physical senses. It was destructible and capable of being dissipated. Truth, he said, represented the real nature of substance because of its indestructibility.

By way of demonstrating the healing power of Christian Science, Professor Hering asked all those in the audience who had at any time been healed by its teachings to stand up. It wasn't many seconds before four-fifths of the audience was on its feet.

"Thank you, my friends. Now you may be seated," he said.

The lecture was interspersed with frequent readings from the works of Mrs. Eddy, the full title of which, together with the name of the author, was pronounced slowly and distinctly by Professor Hering before reading. No reference whatever was made to the death of Mrs. Eddy.

Methods of the spiritual superiority of her methods of healing disease, compared with the method used by hypnotists, mental healers, and the like, were not in the least possible to teach an old dog new tricks, but lions are the exception. It is not expected that any private citizens will put in bids, so the pair may once more get into the limelight of the circus arena.

### YOUNG LIONS GROW UP OLD

Veterans of Central Park Menagerie Will Soon Go to Auction Block.

Two of the oldest lions in the Central Park menagerie must go to make way for the four growing cubs that are now huddled into one cage.

The hunter or fate points at Blamark and Rose, the grandparents of the menagerie, and some day in the near future, unless there is a "swap" of the place, and that will "knock down" the lions to the highest bidder. But there is a price set on their heads, and the auctioneer will not be met, or nearly so, before John Smith, the director, will part with them, it is rumored.

Rose in her heyday was a circus performer, and Blamark went round the circuit with her. It was said that there were thousands who had been healed merely through reading Mrs. Eddy's "Science and Health." As a physician's son, he said that he had investigated many Christian Science cures among people afflicted with organic, structural and functional diseases. He declared that he himself had been subject to long periods of illness until he studied and embraced Christian Science as the true religion.

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